

Staple to face of Application
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICATION TRANSFER REQUEST FOR S.N. 09/971,970

Section I. TRANSFER REQUEST BY (PRINT NAME) John D. Lee Date: 11-21-01

TO: Art Unit 2633 Class/sub 359/109+ FROM: A.U. 2874 Class 385

REASON: The claimed system & method include optical communication details that are too much for class 385 (retiming data signals, etc.).

Gatekeeper concurrence NTW

Hand carried: Personally accepted by _____

Section II a. DISPOSITION BY RECEIVING TC By: [Signature] A.U. 2633 Date 2/5/02

☒ ACCEPTED BY RECEIVING T.C.

NOT ACCEPTED

☐ Forward to receiving TC Post Classifier

☐ Non-classification issue/other, return to Originating TC/AU _____

REASON:

Section II b. DISPOSITION BY RECEIVING TC POST CLASSIFIER

☐ This dispute was resolved. Forward to TC/AU _____ Class/Sub _____ Post Classifier _____ Date _____

Concurring _____ Date _____

☐ This dispute was not resolved, forward to DISPUTE RESOLUTION PANEL

Post Classifier Assessment:

Gatekeeper Concurrence _____

Post Classifier _____

Date _____

Section III. DISPOSITION BY DISPUTE RESOLUTION PANEL

Date _____

Panel Decision: Forward to Technology Center / Art Unit _____ Class/sub _____

REASON:

Member _____

Concurring Panel Member _____